STATE OF IOWA

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

UTILITIES BOARD

| IN RE: | DOCKET NO. SPU-99-27 |
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| QWEST CORPORATION | CERTIFICATE NO. 0224 |

## CERTIFICATE

(Issued September 21, 2000)

On July 7, 2000, U S WEST Communications, Inc. (U S WEST), filed a notice with the Utilities Board (Board) that U S WEST has changed its name to Qwest Corporation (Qwest). In the notice, U S WEST requests that the Board cancel its certificate of public convenience and necessity and issue a new certificate of public convenience and necessity to Qwest Corporation. U S WEST states that it is filing the notice as a result of the June 30, 2000, closing of the corporate reorganization, which the Board did not disapprove by its written order issued March 17, 2000.

The Board has reviewed the request to cancel the certificate of U S WEST and to issue a certificate to Qwest. U S WEST has held Certificate No. 0002 since September 9, 1992. The certificate has been amended by the sale of exchanges and the modification of exchange boundaries. The Board has considered the corporate reorganization of U S WEST and did not disapprove the reorganization. As part of the reorganization, Qwest adopted the tariffs of U S WEST on file with the Board, which included the service territory and exchange maps. The cancellation of the U S

WEST certificate and the issuance of a certificate to Qwest is a result of the

reorganization process.  The Board, therefore, will concurrently cancel Certificate

No. 0002 and issue Certificate No. 0224 to Qwest.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

The certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizes Qwest

Corporation to furnish local telephone service in the exchanges as shown in the filed

tariffs of U S WEST Communications, Inc., adopted by Qwest Corporation.

**UTILITIES BOARD**

/s/ Allan T. Thoms

/s/ Susan J. Frye

ATTEST:

/s/ Raymond K. Vawter, Jr.                    /s/ Diane Munns
Executive Secretary

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 21st day of September, 2000.